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This Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) is being made for the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed herewith.

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicants submit herewith on Form SB/08a a listing of documents known to the Applicants and/or their attorney. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the cited documents and making the same of record in the prosecution of the above-identified application. In doing so, Applicants do not waive any rights to take appropriate action to establish patentablility over the listed documents should they be applied as references against the claims of the present application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), copies of the listed U.S. Patents are not provided. A copy of the listed Office Action is enclosed.

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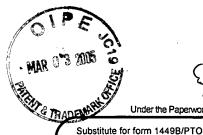
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